A.—Sri M. V. KRISHNAPPA (Minister for Revenue).—

(*a*) No.

(*b*) Does not arise in view of reply to (*a*).

(*c*) No.

(*d*) No.

(*e*) Does not arise [*Vide* reply to (*a*)].

Repairs to the old Shiva Temple in Virupakshipura, Mulbagal Taluk.

**Q.*—446. Sri J. NARAYANAPPA (Mulbagal).—

Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(*a*) whether they are aware that the old Shiva Temple in Virupakshipura, Mulbagal Taluk, Kolar District, is in a dilapidated condition;

(*b*) the extent of dry and wet land, etc., belonging to this temple;

(*c*) the income and expenditure of the temple for the last five years;

(*d*) whether they have prepared any estimate for repairing this Shiva Temple?

A.—Sri M. V. KRISHNAPPA (Minister for Revenue).—

(*a*) No.

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Year.	Income. Rs. nP.	Expenditure. Rs. nP.
1957-58	1846-56	1476-03
1958-59	3424-24	1034-89
1959-60	1722-74	1028-11
1960-61	1036-75	1751-00
1961-62	2721-75	1576-50

(*d*) Estimates for the repair works of Yagasala and the main Shiva Temple for Rs 2,000 were sanctioned and the work is nearing completion.

Starting of an Iron and Steel plant in Bellary District.

**Q.*—489. Sri T. G. SATYANARAYANA (Bellary).—

Will the Government be pleased to state.—

(*a*) whether they are aware that Manganese and Iron ore are available on large scale in Bellary District;

(*b*) whether they are also aware that this ore contains maximum percentage of best Iron;

(*c*) if so, the action taken by them to start an Iron and Steel Plant in Bellary District early, which is pending since a long time?

A.—Sri K. MALLAPPA (Minister for Industries and Commerce).—

(*a*) Yes.

(*b*) Yes.

(*c*) The matter is under examination.

Upgrading the Polytechnic at Bellary into an Engineering College.

**Q.*—492. Sri T. G. SATYANARAYANA (Bellary).—

Will the Government be pleased to state.—

(*a*) whether they have received many representations and Public Memoranda to upgrade the present Polytechnic School of Bellary as an Engineering College;

(*b*) whether they are aware that all facilities are available in the present Polytechnic, Bellary, to upgrade it as an Engineering College;

(*c*) if so, whether they would take early steps to upgrade this into an Engineering College?

A.—Sri S. R. KANTHI (Minister for Education).—

(*a*) No.

(*b*) The facilities available in the Polytechnic are adequate only in respect of the Diploma Courses but not for Degree Courses.

(*c*) Does not arise in view of the reply to (*b*).

PAPERS LAID ON THE TABLE

Sri B. D. JATTI (Minister for Finance).—I beg to lay Notification No. FD 18 CEX 60, dated 17th June 1962 (Amendment to Rule 44 of the

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Mysore Entertainment Tax Rules, 1959) as required under sub-section (4) of Section 18 of the Mysore Entertainment Tax Act, 1958.

NON-OFFICIAL RESOLUTION.

Re: **Constitution of a Committee of Members of Legislature to examine the Working of Nationalised Transport Service in the State.**

(*Debate continued*).

Mr. SPEAKER.—Before the discussion begins, I wish to bring to the notice of the House that 3 hours had been allotted for this resolution. Out of that 1 hour and 15 minutes were taken yesterday and what is left over is only 1 hour and 45 minutes. I would like to know what time the mover of the resolution will require for reply.

Sri B. HUTCHE GOWDA (Turuvekere).—Ten minutes, Sir.

Mr. SPEAKER.—How much time does the Minister require?

Sri D. DEVARAJ URS (Minister for Transport and Development).—About 45 minutes.

Mr. SPEAKER.—That leaves only 50 minutes for the debate.

Sri K. S. SURYANARAYANA RAO (Mysore City).—Sir, yesterday, I was suggesting the constitution of Divisional or District Consultative Committees in order that the Department may come in contact with the travelling public. Continuing the same strain of argument I suggest that the Department may also decentralise its functions. The Department is highly centralised and concentrated in the Head Office in Bangalore. If the administration is organised on a zonal basis and more powers are given to the district organisations, possibly they will be able to take immediate steps and decisions almost on the spot. This will also solve the problem of staff pattern. I am given to understand that there is some difficulty about staff. This problem could be solved if we have the staff on a zonal basis. If the staff at the zonal level is graded in a particular way and any recruitment or promotion above the zonal grade is based on inter-zonal seniority, that will solve to a large extent the problem of recruitment, promotions or even equation of posts and a large measure of satisfaction can thus be brought about in the administrative set up also.

The other point that I would suggest to bring the administration closer to the public is this. Most of the executive officers of the department interest themselves in the disposal of papers submitted to them. Plans and proposals are there on paper. But, Sir, this is an agency which should have an element of human touch. That could be had if the executive officers make up their mind to visit the centres at the starting points or the bus Stands. If they stand there and attend to the local problems then and there, possibly the staff who are to manage these buses would be more vigilant and more courteous and more amenable to the needs of the public. To that extent the personal presence of the executive officers at the big bus stands for at least one hour a day during the peak hour would be of very great advantage to the public.

Then, Sir, most of the present problems have arisen out of this policy of extending nationalisation year by year. I am not against expanding this programme year by year. Had the Department a plan to implement it within a period fixed beforehand, then they could complete one zone and then go to the next zone and that would have possibly minimized a lot of the problems that have now arisen as a result of extending nationalisation year by year without completing the work in any single area. They take up nationalisation in a division in one year. Some problems are created there and they remain unattended to and in the meanwhile in the next year they go to another division and introduce nationalisation there. This could be avoided if the department stabilise themselves well in a division they have